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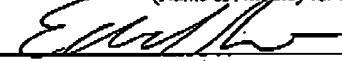
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Docket No. 00862.022223.

TETSUYA KAWANABE

Examiner: T. Lcll

Application No.: 09/853,710

Group Art Unit: 2626

Filed: May 14, 2001

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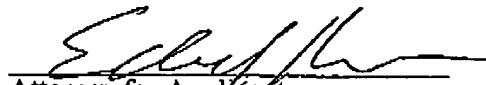
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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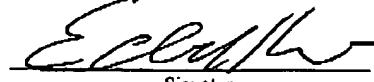
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